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U.S. Department of Commerce  
Patent and Trademark Office  
Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Stanley Witkowski, Primary Examiner  
Group Art Unit 2837  
Washington, DC 20231

Reference: Reply to Patent Office *Notice of Abandonment* mailed 5/23/02 on Patent Application 09/655792 by Bernard H. Browne, Jr.

To: Assistant Commissioner of Patents

Please be advised that there was no abandonment committed in our patent effort as implied in the referenced communication above. Contrary to the communication referenced that was received yesterday that no extension of time was requested or paid for involving an extension to the statutory six month period for replies to the 10/04/01 PTO action, attached you will find a summarized time line concerning all communication matters. This time line clearly shows that an extension of time was requested and paid for on 2/08/02.

As proof that there was no abandonment due to timing matters, attached is a copy of my America Express bill showing the PTO acceptance of \$55.00 on 2/08/02 for the time extension of one month. Also shown is a copy of a check for an earlier time extension in April of 2001.

No. It may be noted that our last response mailed on 5/3/02 was actually within the three month response requested by the PTO in the item mailed on 2/13/02 despite the fact that all mail communications have been slowed down considerably since 9/11/01. And it actually was a second response since 10/04/01 (items 6 and 9). Also, our 5/04/04 mailed response would have apparently been acceptable without the time extension fee because there was a three month time response referenced in the 2/13/02 PTO action letter. Possibly a refund is due us.

We trust that this matter of response timing to the PTO will be cleared promptly so that we may finally declare the *Instant Musician, Recording Artist and Composer* as "patent pending."

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Bernard H. Browne, Jr. - Inventor  
Author/Publisher of *America Online and Best Web Sites* book series  
Byte Masters International

Attachment 1: Communications time line concerning application 09/655792.

Attachment 2: Copies of check and American Express bill showing time extension payments



**COMMUNICATIONS TIME LINE CONCERNING APPLICATION 09/655792**  
*"INSTANT MUSICIAN, RECORDING ARTIST AND COMPOSER"*  
 by Bernard H. Browne, Jr.

Action No.	From	Dated/ Date Sent	Received	Item Description
1	Inventor	8/31/00	9/06/00	Initial patent application
2	Patent office	1/24/01		Request for 3 month reply relating to more detail required and comments concerning patents by Sitrick, Aoki, et al.
3	Inventor	4/16/01	04/19/01	30 day extension for reply requested and \$55.00 check sent and cashed for extension..
4	Inventor	5/23/01	5/29/01	Material provided as requested including more detailed specification, more drawings, more detailed claims and reasons why our application doesn't infringe upon patents of Sitrick, Aoki, et al.
5	Patent office	10/04/01		Request for 3 month reply relating to what appeared to be new material in the specification, claims, drawings; and reasons why our application doesn't infringe upon patents of Sato, Farrand, Goede, Miyano and Eller.
6	Inventor	12/24/01	01/15/02	Material provided as requested including corrections to claims and reasons why our application doesn't infringe upon the inventors' material referenced above.
7	Inventor	2/08/02		FAX to Trina at Patent Office for authorizing \$55.00 charge to inventor's American Express account for 30 day extension.
8	Patent office	2/13/02		Request for 3 month reply to address fact that amendment filed on 01/15/02 did not comply with Rule 37 CFR 1.121.
9	Inventor	5/3/02		Material provided as requested complying with 37 CFR 1.121 within the 3 months requested including: marked up original material to show amendments and clean versions of the amended abstract, specification, claims and drawings.
10	Patent office	5/23/02	5/28/02	Notice of abandonment stating that paper filed 5/03/02 was not filed on time.

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